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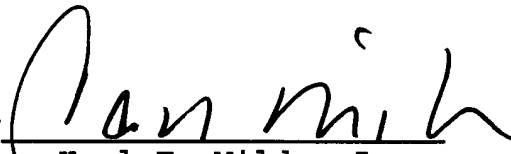
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These documents were cited in the "Background of the Invention" section of the present application. Accordingly, no further discussion is believed to be necessary.

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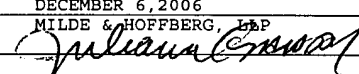
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